

[Mr. R. Krishna Pillai.]

the question, as in their opinion the time and labour involved would be out of proportion to its utility. In regard to the second part of the question the member's attention is invited to the answer to question No. 128.

(b) The member is referred to the answer to question No. 126.

Yadavas in the State Service.

164. MR. S. SUBRAHMANYA KARAYALAR (*Pattanapuram cum Shencottah*): (a) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any Yadava in Travancore is in Government service?

(b) If not, will the Government be pleased to appoint in the State service deserving educated young men belonging to that community?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(a) Yadavas have not been recognised as a separate caste for census purposes.

(b) Part (b) of the question does not arise in view of the answer to part (a).

*Charge of Corruption against Mr. A. S. Krishna Aiyar,
Tahsildar, Quilon.*

165. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Quilon Dewan Peishkar and the Land Revenue Commissioner brought to their notice an alleged case of corruption against the Tahsildar of Quilon? If so, what action did the Government take in the matter and what was the recommendation of the Land Revenue Commissioner?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Tahsildar's conduct was suspicious, but evidence in regard to corruption was not conclusive. In the circumstances no action was taken beyond noting the matter in the officer's service record.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): What was the charge against the Tahsildar?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no definite charge against the Tahsildar.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then, what was the nature of the enquiry conducted?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No regular enquiry was conducted, because there was no charge against him.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): What was the report against him?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I regret I am unable to reveal the contents of the report.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to place on the table all the papers connected with that?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): In the case of a Government officer, if the evidence leads to a suspicion of corruption, is it not necessary to punish him at least as an example to others?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That is not a supplementary question.

PRESIDENT: The answer says that there is no conclusive evidence of corruption. So, that question does not arise, and no enquiry is necessary under the Regulation.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): What was the necessity for noting the matter in the officer's service record?

PRESIDENT: There is an answer to that question also in the answer given already. The first sentence answers that question.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): But is it not the duty of the Government, when an officer's conduct is found to be suspicious, to conduct an enquiry and give sufficient punishment to that officer?

PRESIDENT: The punishment that was given is mentioned there.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): I want to know whether the punishment given to the Tahsildar is a sufficient one if there was a charge against him.

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There was no charge against him.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then, what was the necessity for noting the matter in the officer's service record?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Because there was a suspicion.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Then why not the Government give him sufficient punishment?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There were no grounds for punishing him.

MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): If there was no sufficient room for suspicion, what necessity had the Government to note the matter in the officer's record?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I have already answered that question.

Mr. A. R. Subrahmanya Aiyar, Tahsildar.

166. MR. M. N. PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Will the Government be pleased to state the charges against Mr. A. R. Subrahmanya Aiyar that culminated in the punishments recently awarded to him?